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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jian Zhang et al. :

App. No.: 09/728,309 : Art Unit: 1646

Filed: November 30, 2000 : Examiner: Michael T. Brannock

For: Human VNO receptor (R1)

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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

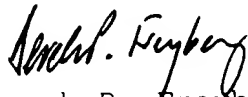
In further response to the Office Action (restriction requirement) mailed March 5, 2002, and in response to the Communication mailed June 4, 2002:

this confirms Applicants' election of Group I (Claims 1-8, 10-15, and 25-27) and Applicants' traversal of the original restriction requirement as between Groups I and II, as in the reply mailed March 29, 2002 (filed April 14, 2002), for the reasons expressed therein; and

Applicants further elect for examination the species of SEQ ID NO 1. Although Applicants understand this to be a requirement for election of species for examination, as opposed to restriction, since the elected claims are generic to the polynucleotides of SEQ ID NO 1, 2, 5, and 7 and the polypeptides of SEQ ID NO 3, 4, and 6, Applicants respectfully request that the polynucleotide of SEQ ID NO 2 be also examined with the

elected species. SEQ ID NO 2 differs by only a single nucleotide from SEQ ID NO 1 [the replacement of g by a at position 778 - see page 21, lines 8-12, of the application], and encodes an identical polypeptide, so the additional search and examination effort will be minimal.

Respectfully submitted,



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-entitled patent application are the following:

1. Supplemental Response to Office Action

A return postcard is enclosed for the office to acknowledge receipt.

[] **Petition For Extension Of Time**

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to respond to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2002, for:

- | | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| [] one month | \$55.00 |
| [] two months | \$200.00 |
| [] three months | \$460.00 |
| [] four months | \$720.00 |
| [] five months | \$980.00. |

Fee

- ☐ There is no increase in the number of independent, dependent or multiple dependent claims beyond those previously paid for.
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Claims Remaining After Amendment: ____ Total, ____ Independent
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Additional independent claims above 3: ____ @ \$42 each 0.00
Additional claims above 20: ____ @ \$9 each 0.00
Multiple Dependency Fee: \$140 0.00

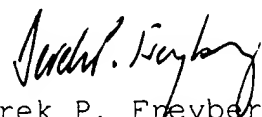
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TOTAL FEE DUE: \$0.00

- ☐ A check for \$00.00 is enclosed.

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- ☒ Please charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1641, referring to 18136-1050. This is not, however, an authorization to pay the issue fee. A duplicate of this document is enclosed.

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